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News Release

CITY TO RECOGNIZE NATIONAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT WEEK WITH CELEBRATION IN GREEN AVENUE NEIGHBORHOOD

(Greenville SC) In recognition of National Community Development Week, the City of Greenville will host a community celebration of the Green Avenue Revitalization Project on Wednesday, April 3 at 2:00 p.m. at the intersection of McLeod Street and Nelson Street. National Community Development Week is held each year to recognize the importance of the Community Development Block Grant, HOME Investment Partnership Grant and other federal funding provided by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to implement revitalization efforts and promote affordable housing.

In 2001, the City partnered with the Green Avenue Neighborhood Association to create the Green Avenue Revitalization Strategy. Since that time, the City and the neighborhood association have worked together to implement the recommendations described in the plan. To-date, 28 new homes have been constructed for sale or lease. Quinn Satterfield is the City's development partner for the for-sale homes, which range in price from \$87,000 - \$135,000. To ensure affordability, down payment assistance is being provided to income-eligible buyers.

The City has invested approximately \$1.5 million for neighborhood improvements, including new sidewalks and lighting, and stormwater and sewer improvements on Jenkins Street, Casey Street, Lincoln Street, Nelson Street and McLeod Streets, and in the neighborhood's main intersection at Green Avenue. Additional improvements include two new parks/green spaces along Green Avenue and streetscaping along Anderson Street and Lincoln Street. Remaining components of the plan include construction of approximately 30 more homes, neighborhood gateway signage, naming of the two parks and additional streetscape work, which will be done as new homes are constructed.

At the celebration, Mayor Knox White and Vice Mayor Pro Tem Lillian Brock Flemming will be joined by City Manager John Castile; Rick Quinn, president of Quinn Satterfield, Inc.; Reverend James

Speed from Allen Temple AME Church; Reverend Sean Dogan from Long Branch Baptist Church and residents of the Green Avenue neighborhood.

Following the celebration, attendees will have an opportunity to tour 207 Jenkins Street, one of the new homes being built by Quinn Satterfield.

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